H-disease in TESLA cavities

- Q-reduction in SC cavities
 - First disastrous findings with HERA cavities and at the Darmstadt SC linac
 - Suspicion of Hydrogen as reason for loss
 - Confirmation of Hydrogen disease
- H disease test in 9-cell cavities
 - List of all tests
 - Discussion of test results
 - Conclusion to XFEL operation
- Recent findings at KEK
- Discussion & Conclusion

Hydrogen Disease in SC Cavities "Q-disease"

- First observation of anomalous increase of cavity losses
 - At HERA cavities after second or more cool downs at horizontal cryostat in 1991
 - Similar effect seen at the Darmstadt SC accelerator after warm up to 140K due to refrigerator break down and cool down after 20 hours.
 - Was never seen at vertical test stands before, only after very slow cool down during Christmas at Wuppertal
- Systematic investigations were started at several laboratories afterwards.

First observation of Q-disease with HERA Cavities

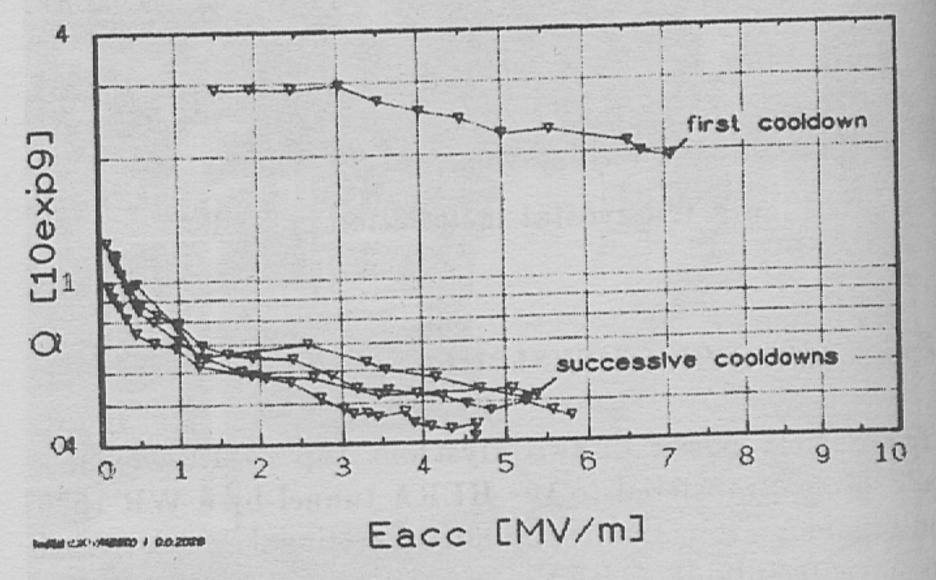
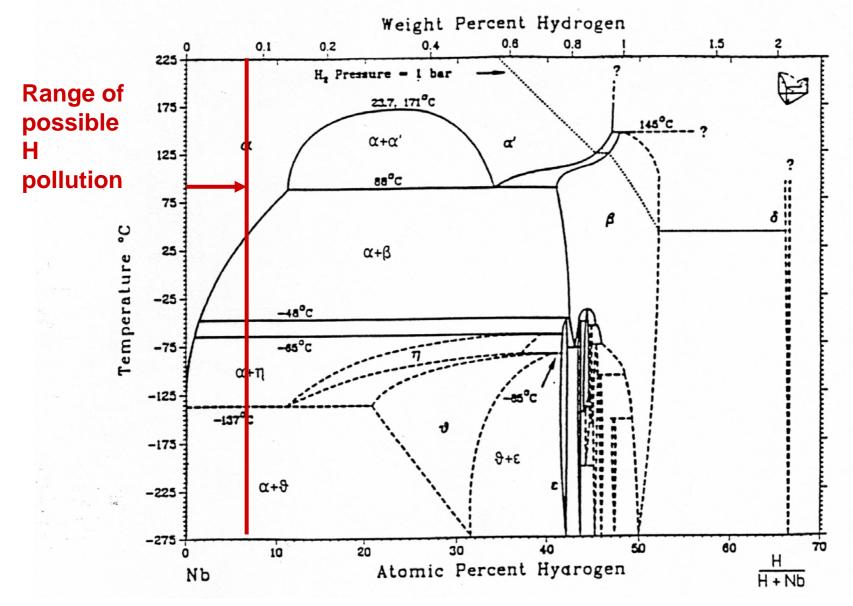


Figure 1: Q degradation after several cooldowns



Phasendiagramm des Nb –H Systems für chemisch reines rekristallisiertes Normering Gleichgewicht

Verification of H-disease effect around 100K with HERA cavities

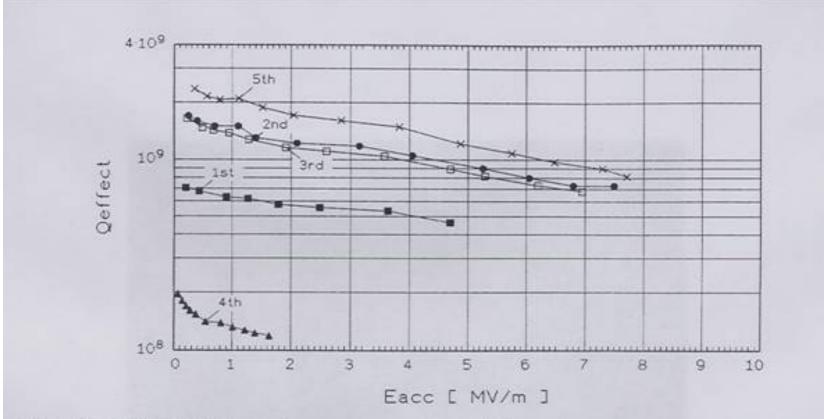
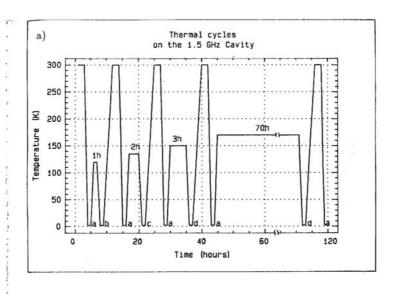
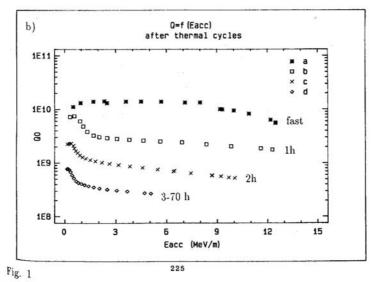


Fig. 3: Measured Q vs E_{acc} curves for different cooldown conditions 1st: continous cooldown from 300 K to 4.2 K in 24 h 2nd (3rd, 4th, 5th): stop during cooldown at 180 K (150 K, 100 K, 150 K) for 20 h; afterwards fast cooldown to 4.2 K in about 1.5 h (1.8 h, 1.5 h, 1.3 h)

H disease investigations (Saclay)





Mechanism of Hydrogen disease

- Hydrogen can move freely in Nb at room temperature as interstitial impurity
- There is a phase transition to NbH_x around 130K
- NbH_x has a slightly larger lattice constant as compared to pure Nb
 - NbH_x will settle at lattice distortions or at the surface
 - Around 130 K NbH_x will migrate to the surface and produce RF losses (it is a normal conductor)
 - At very low temperatures NbH_x will not move any more
- Cure against H-disease
 - Fast cool down (typical condition at vertical test with dewar cooling
 - Degassing of Nb at temperatures around 800°C (or higher)

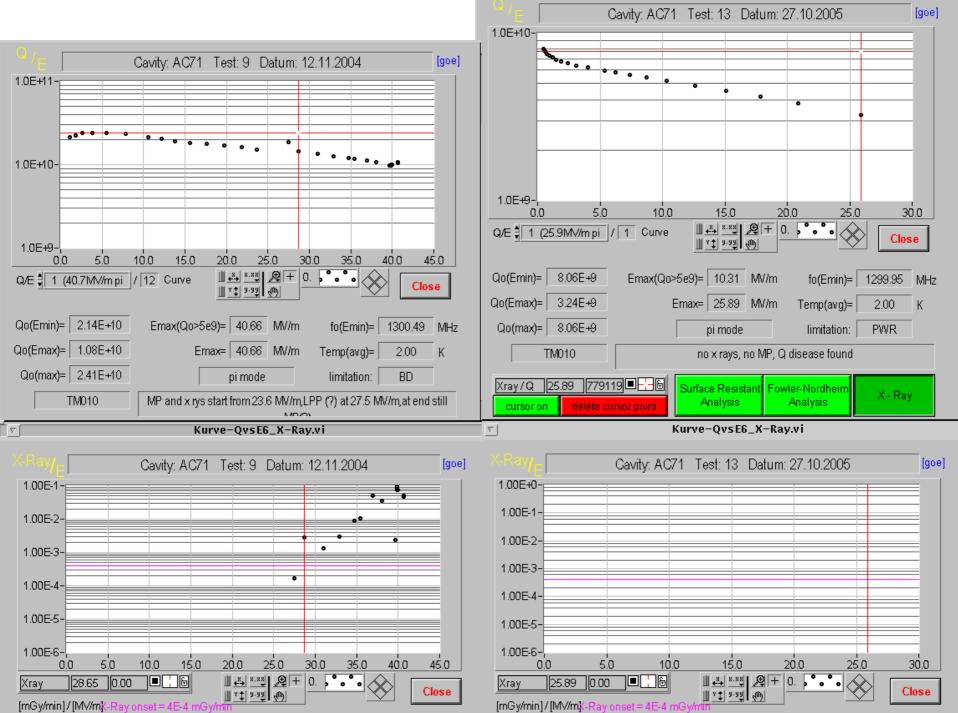
H-disease test with 9-cell EP cavities

Cavity	Tests	Q-Tests after EP	Q-Test-negativ	Q-Test positiv
AC71	15	4	3	1
AC74	8	1	1	
AC75	5	1	1	
AC76	15	2	2	
AC78	15	4	4	
AC80	6	4	2	2
AC81	8	1	1	
Z 82	6	1	1	1
Z 83	4	2	2	
Z 84	7	5	1	4
Z85	3	1	1	
Z86	3	0		
Z87	4	1	1	
Z88	1	1	1	
Z 90	3	1	1	
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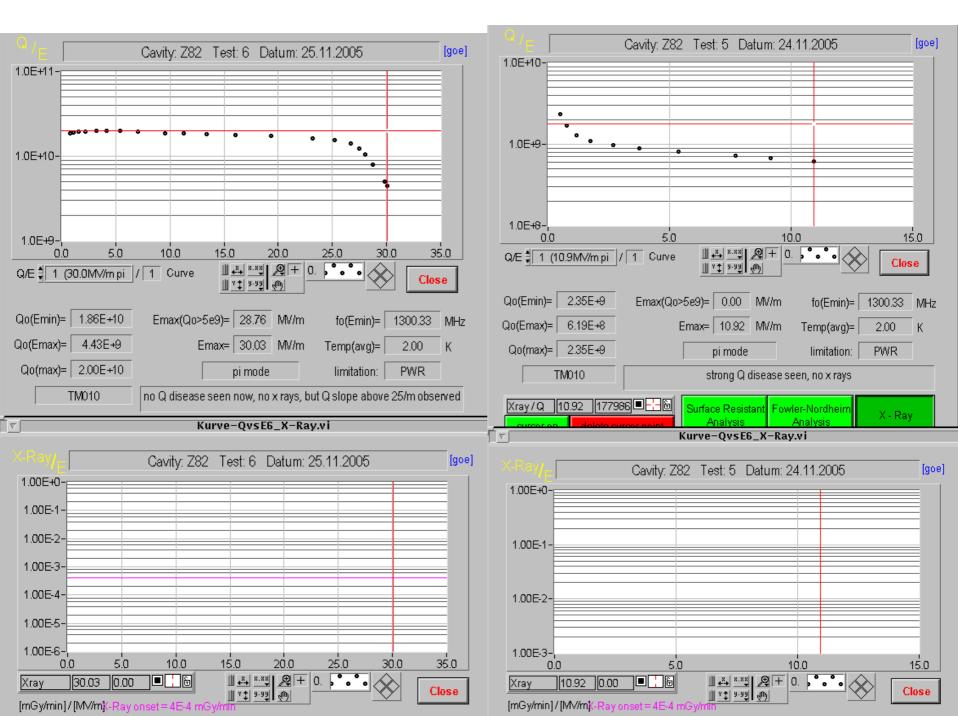
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cavity	e	treatment	disease	remarks	ner
AC 71	27.10. 05	50 um EP,	yes	cool down condition not listed in data bank (100-120K)	17
	12.01. 06	HT 800C, EP 50um	no	cool down condition not listed in data bank	20
AC 80	19.02. 04	HT 800C,330 um EP, first test	strong	stored between 90-140K	"0"
	11.03. 04	baking 120C	yes	stored between 100-150K	
	04.08. 04	new HT 800C, EP 50 um	no	stored between 100-120 K	1
Z 82	24.11. 05	HT 1400C, EP 70 um	yes	(70-114K)	17
Z 84	12.10. 04	800C, 250um EP, first test	strong	19h between 100-140K during first cool down	4, 5
	13.10. 04	re-test	weak	warm up, fast cool down	
	17.11. 04	50 um EP	no	stored between 50-100K (only)	7
	11.04. 05	50 um EP	yes	stored between 90-160K	9
	12.04. 05	re-test	no	warm up, fast cool down	
	14.11. 05	HT 1400C, 80um FP. Proch, DI	SY,MB lule	Mered between 70-130K	(15, 16) 17
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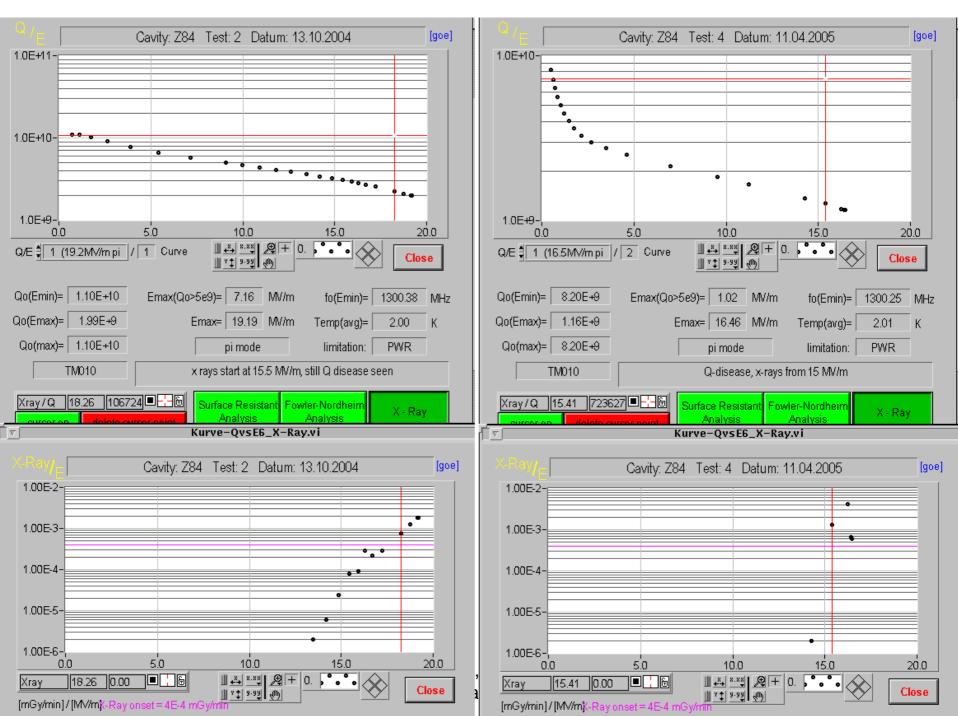
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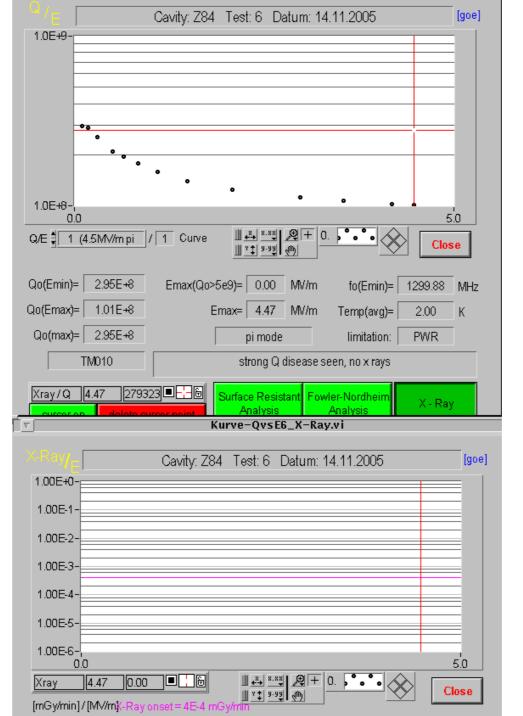
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AC 82	0,5
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Z 84,11.April	0,8
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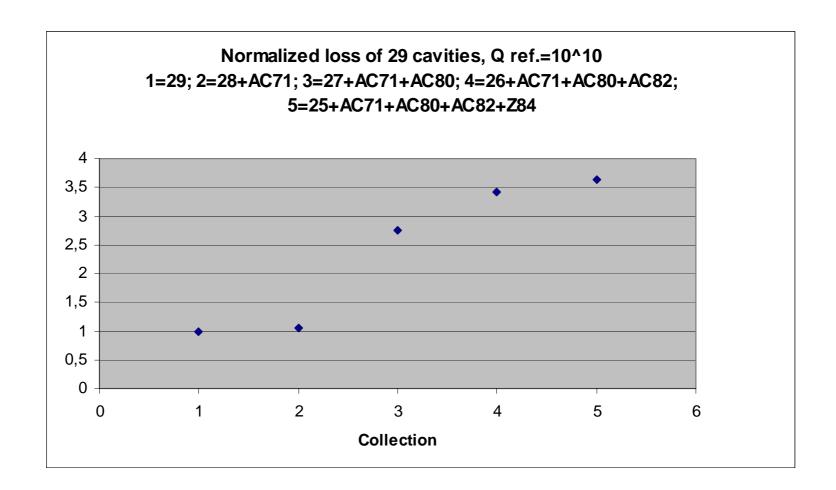


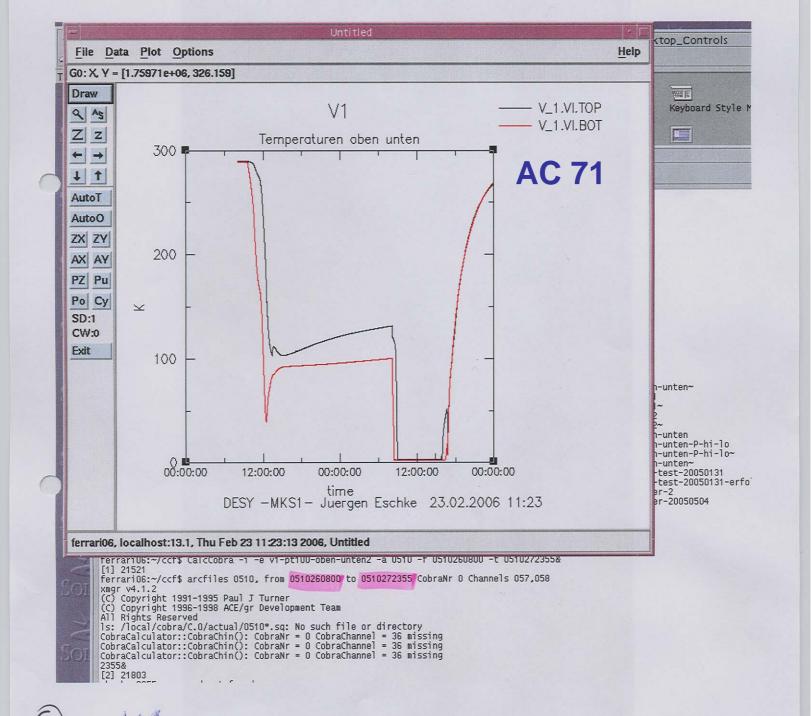


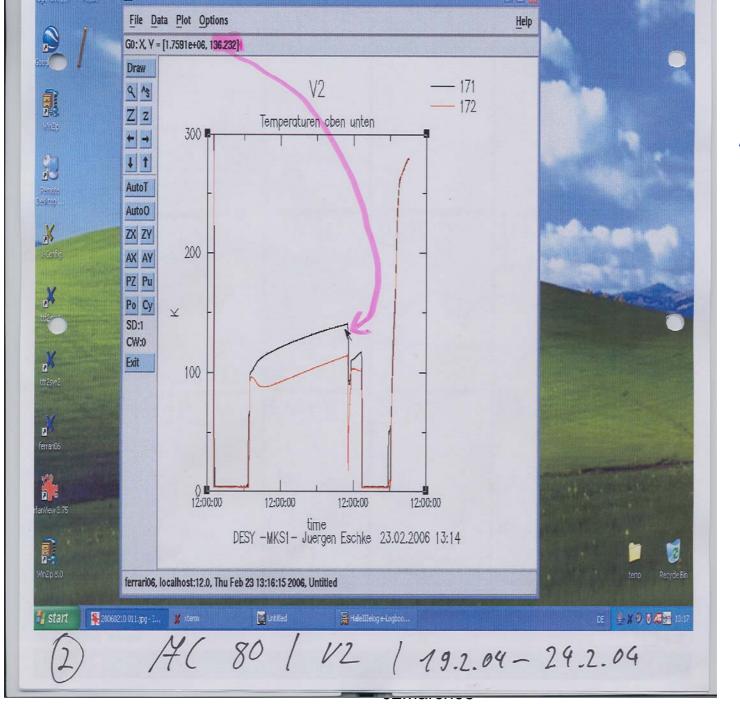


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AC 80

How to avoid H contamination

- Grinding with water free liquid [FC77, KEK]
- BCP below 22 °C [DESY]
- EP: venting of H, protection with cloth [KEK, DESY,...]
- EP: add HNO₃ to EP chemistry to protect the Nb surface by oxidation against H penetration [KEK]

Where does the H contamination come from?

- RRR300 Nb from companies is free of H (spec. reqires less than 10 Wppm),
- Grinding under water will inject H from H₂O (reason for HERA cavities) [DESY, KEK,...]
- EDM will inject H [DESY, KEK, Jlab,...]
- BCP above 22 °C [DESY, Heraeus]
- EP produces H at cathode [chemistry]
- EP chemistry after switching off current) [KEK, Heraeus]

KEK Investigations on H disease :EP/BCP after grinding

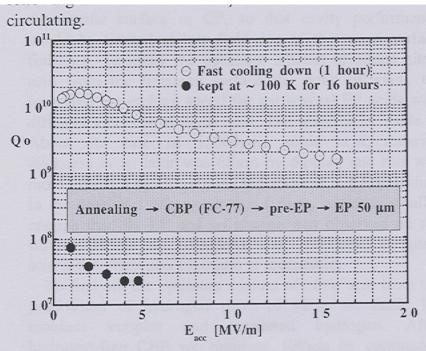


Figure 4: Heavy hydrogen Q-disease did occur when hydrogen-free CBP and EP were combined

combination of the hydrogen-free CBP and CP.

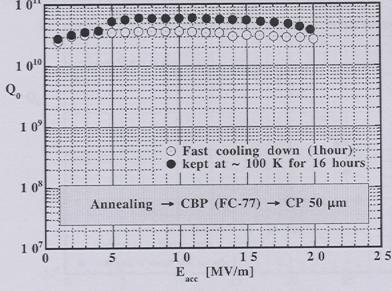
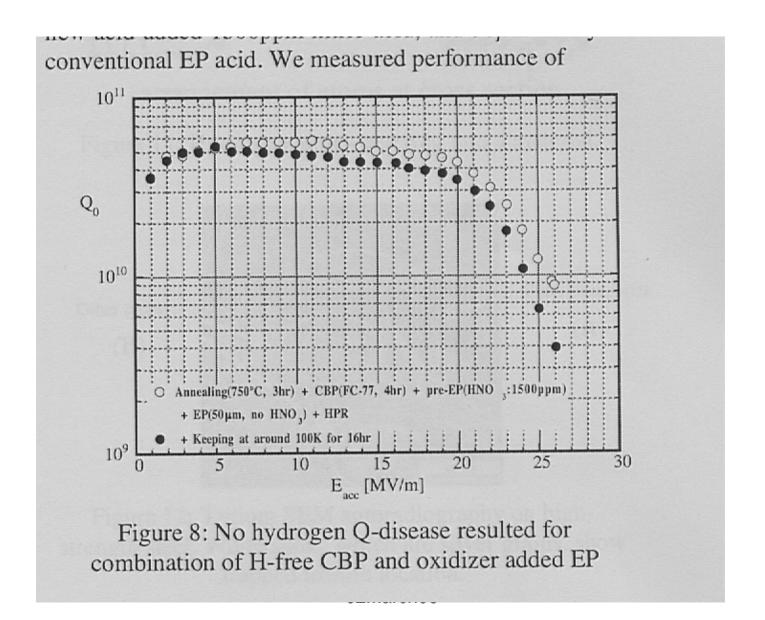


Figure 6: Hydrogen Q-disease did not occur with combination of hydrogen-free CBP and CP

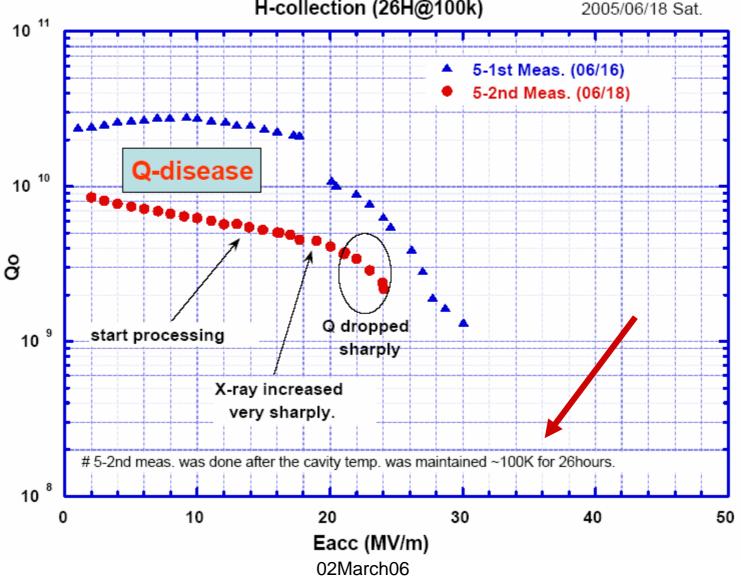
KEK Investigations on H disease :EP(+HNO₃) after grinding



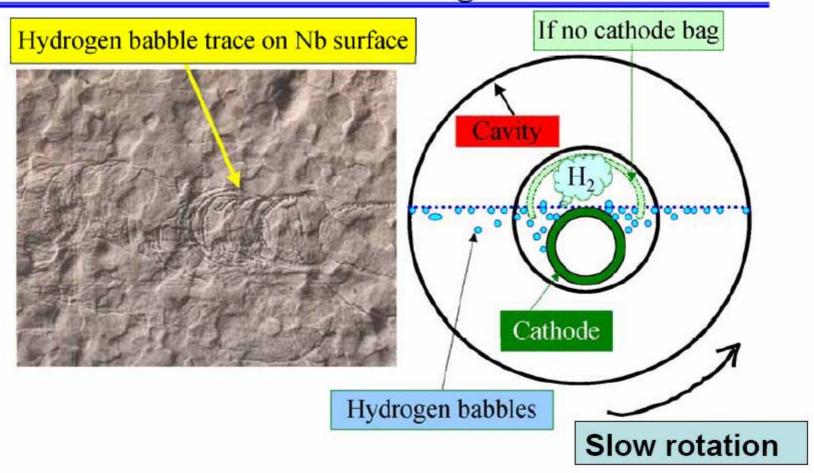
Failure report in EP system at KEK/Nomura

SMTF meeting
5 October 2005
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Re-cavity 5-2nd Meas. CP(10um)+HPR(KEK)+Baking(57H@120oC)+ H-collection (26H@100k)

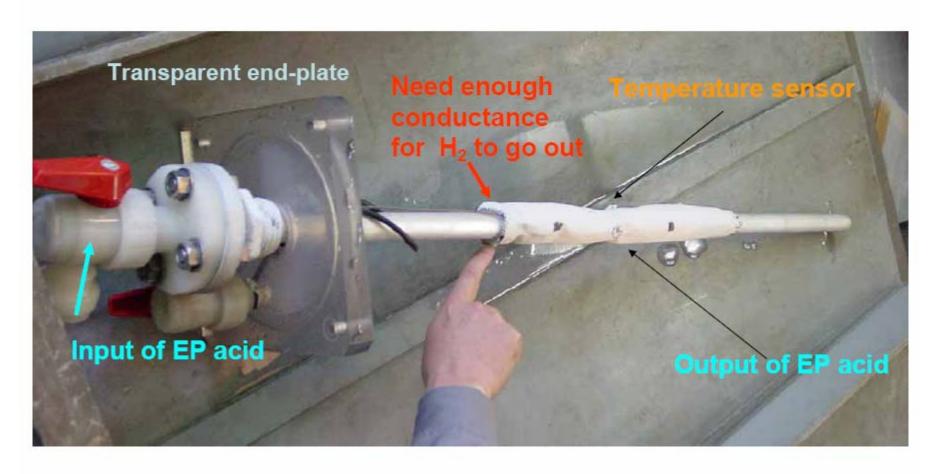


Cathode Bag



Cathode bag was not setup properly by operator => Hydrogen Q-disease

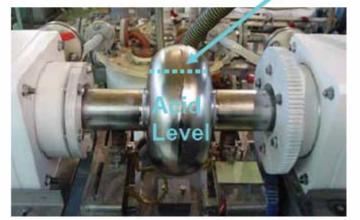
Cathode and cathode bag

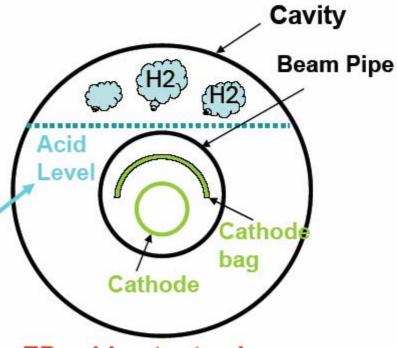


EP acid level control failure

EP acid output valves for level control

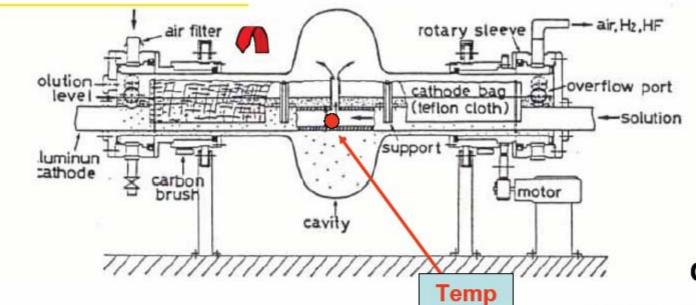






EP acid output valve was not properly controlled.

Hydrogen Q-disease

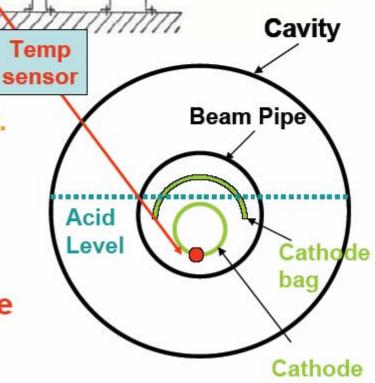


EP acid temperature monitor & control were not done properly.

Related parameters:

Voltage, Current, EP acid flow, Reservoir tank temperature.

⇒Operator forgot how to optimize these parameter-set.



What was learned (H Q-disease)

Cause of failure

 Operators forgot what is important in cathode bag setup, EP acid level control, and temperature control.

Current status

- Check-list of all setups and parameters are prepared.
- Re-training operators.

Recommended system

 Future plan: Automatic monitoring, temp./valve-control by computer. But not easy for EP system parts (Teflon flow-meter, valve...expensive to replace with computercontrollable parts).

H disease: Areas for R&D

- Continue H disease tests on 9-cells
- Establish H disease tests on 1-cells
 - So far 5 tests, all no H disease
 - All are treated at Henkel company
 - They use constant current (DESY)
 - They mix the acid by themselves
- Communicate with other laboratories
 - Convince colleagues about need of H-test
- Start sample measurements (H content) after various treatments
 - Detailed program needs to be defined

H disease: Areas for R&D, cont.

- Stable EP parameters
 - Identify missing parameter for arbitrary appearance of H-disease
 - QA on EP chemistry
 - Control of all (?) relevant process parameter
 - H venting in multi-cell EP
 - H contamination after stop of EP / start of rinsing
- Is High RRR Nb more sensitive to H disease?

Alternative approach

- Heat treatment around 800°C will definitely clean Nb from Hydrogen
- EP has the danger of H contamination
- Therefore a low risk procedure could be:
 - EP of cavities to reach smooth surface
 - Heat treatment at 800°C
 - Only slight BCP for last cleaning, several um will not deteriorate the EP surface properties
 - HP rinse

Conclusion

- 5 out of 29 Q-tests uncovered H- disease
- These 5 cases belong to 4 different cavities
- In these 5 cases a new or additional EP treatment was applied
- In 4 out of these 5 cases the additional cryo-losses are not acceptable (and 24 MV/m might not be in reach)
- Correlation? The acid container #17 was used for EP in 2+1/2 treatments; two other acid container for the two other treatments
- After 800°C heat treatment the Nb is cleaned from H contamination. Substitution of EP by BCP as final light cleaning will substantially reduce the risk of H disease.

Kenji's Comments

From the study on Higuchias PhD, I understood several things:

- 1) Mechanical polishing (Tumbling) dopes hydrogen, if it uses a >>> liquid contained hydrogen like water. >>>
- 2) EDM dopes hydrogen, which comes from oil or water used EDM. >>>
- 3) When once hydrogen is doped in those process, afterwards material >>> removal like BCP or EP cannot eliminate the hydrogen. >>>
- 4) Annealing can only remove the hydrogen. >>>
- 5) Even annealed, when the surface damaged layer still is remained >>> it will pick up hydrogen during EP. >>>
- 6) Hydrogen is picked up through grain boundary channels. So >>> concerning is gain boundaries.

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